



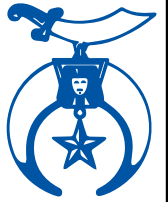
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# Al Bahr Staying Safe and Staying on our Mission





## Potentate's Message

**Rudy F. Nobleza**

The month of April is over, and we have yet to determine what's going to happen in the near future. Scottish Rite of San Diego decided to again close their door for the month of May, and without any further directives from the Grand Lodge of California, I have to continue closing Al Bahr pursuant to the last instruction of no events and meetings. Our patients are still receiving their treatments, thanks to our Noble Luis U Flores, who is continuing the very important role of transporting our children for their necessary appointments. My hat's off to all concerned nobles who are doing a fantastic job. The following paragraphs were received from Shrine International.



"Based on data and opinions of public health experts and community officials, Shriners International has cancelled its 2020 Imperial Session, scheduled for July 2020, in Kansas City. In determining whether the 2020 Imperial Session could be responsibly held, the perspective of Shriners International was to take a global vision with local focus. The Imperial Session is truly an annual international gathering at one physical location. The Imperial Divan, the 2020 Convention Corporation, and the staff of Shriners International closely monitored developments and worked closely with the Kansas City Health Department in planning the 2020 Imperial Session. This planning was always undertaken with the hope and expectation that the convention would proceed, as long as it was reasonably safe to do so, based upon the trajectory of the Coronavirus and governmental quarantine and/or stay at home orders, actions based upon data and opinions provided by public health professionals.

Based on the information provided by public health professionals and recent governmental extension of existing public health orders, Shriners International determined that the safety of attendees and the safety of the community could not reasonably be provided on or before the start of the 2020 Imperial Session in Kansas City and therefore cancelled the 2020 convention, due to the impossibility of safely hosting it.

Imperial Sir and First Lady, Jeff and Cheryl Sowder, are extremely sorry that they will not be able to personally welcome Shriners from all over the world to celebrate fun and fellowship in Kansas City. They have dreamed and planned for more than a decade to have Shriners join them for an incredible experience in Kansas City. While the worldwide pandemic prevents us from meeting in Kansas City and renewing our acquaintances, it does not prevent us from renewing our commitment to the important work of the Shrine".

We will continue to closely monitor the situation, and if any important update come up, we will notify the nobility. Be safe and enjoy your time with your family.

Yours in the Faith,

**Rudy F. Nobleza**

## Director's Staff - Steve Bumgarder

The Director's Staff hopes all Nobles, their families and friends are staying safe and healthy during the pandemic. We still do not know what the new normal will look like but when it does and the "stay at home"

guidelines are eased the burger chefs of the Director's Staff will be back at it cooking juicy cheeseburgers and feeding our brethren. Stay home and Stay Safe & Healthy!

Until we meet again, Peace Be With You!

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## Chaplain's Message -Dave Winesett

May is the month for honoring our mothers on Mother's Day and for Memorial Day, commemorating all who have paid the ultimate sacrifice in military service for our country. This year, Mother's Day is celebrated on Sunday, May 10 and is focused on activities for that one day. Typically, it involves giving flowers, cards and dining out or family dinners to reflect love and respect for our mothers. This day gives us the opportunity to demonstrate our obedience to the fifth commandment given from God to Moses: Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the Lord your God is giving you. (Exodus 20:12.)

Memorial Day officially is a federal holiday on Monday, May 25, but will be celebrated as a three-day weekend in a number of different ways. Originally known as "Decoration Day" when graves of service members (as well as those of other family members) were decorated with flowers, over the years it has evolved more toward placing American flags at the graves in National Cemeteries and other burial sites of service members. Such honoring of those who have gone before us and sacrificed their lives for us can be extended to all with whom we share life and for whom we feel brotherly love. As we are admonished in Romans 12:10 – Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves. For Shriners, our devotion to the children served in our Shriners Hospitals for Children is such an expression of honor above ourselves.

## Past Master's Shrine Club -Abe Ravitch

Ladies and Nobles, I would like to thank you once again for everyone involved and everyone who came and enjoyed a delicious breakfast put on by our Past Masters Shrine Club fundraising breakfast. This is an uplifting story that I read recently. I thought I would share it with you.

I'm a paramedic. Today, my partner for today and I were in the ambulance waiting for the lights to go green, and I look to my left. There stood a woman in her early 60s, waving at us with a big grin on her face. We both waved back and smiled. She then blew a kiss and mouthed "thank you". I blew a kiss back and put the window down and said "you're most welcome". It is so refreshing to see some positivity during the current circumstances. It is so nice to be appreciated for our service to the community.

So, thank you. Thank you for making my day. It's people like her that remind me why I do what I do. Stay safe everyone. Take care of yourselves and your loved ones. Appreciate the little things.

## Peace Officer's Shrine Club -Mike Randall

Dear Fellow POSC and other Nobles, Any Al Bahr member who is interested in the Peace Officers Shrine Club are welcome to attend our POSC meeting. If each of us just brings in one new member, we could be on our way to being the CLUB we once were. We need new members so if any of you wish to come and see what we do, please contact me below.

Members, Please make sure that I have your current email address. Please RSVP your attendance at our meetings, so the quartermaster can schedule enough food for everyone. You may RSVP me back at this email address... randallml@aol.com or by calling me at my cell 619-888-mike(6453).

Our POSC Meeting are now held QUARTERLY and on the Third Wednesday of the meeting month. Please see the dates below for all of our 2020 meeting dates. Our next meeting will be on July 15th at 5:30 social, dinner around 6:00 and around 7:00ish for our meeting. Assuming that we are out of lockdown...

Then on July 15th and October 21th.

## Rancho Bernardo- Bob Powell

It is a trying time and we wish all of the Shrine Nobles, ladies and friends the strength to live in the guidelines we have been given. We hope that we will soon be able to be together again and enjoy the many aspects of the Fraternity.

With best wishes and prayers for you all.

## Sons of the Desert - Bill Romer

Nobles, I hope all are following the "Stay at Home" guidelines and are not effected by Covid-19. Since we don't know when we will be able to meet in our future, The Spaghetti Dinner fund raiser that was scheduled for June, is on hold for now and will be re-scheduled for a later date. We wish all to be safe, so that we can meet in our future.



## Sunshine Committee Report

In consideration of recently enacted Federal regulations, we are unable to provide full information on our ill and indisposed members. Please keep these nobles in your prayers. Should you wish to contact one of these members, please call the office for further information.

Allen, Bill	Garsson, Steve	Markson, Richard	Shultz, Stephen
Arney, Fred	Hahn, Lou PP	E.	Smith, Sidney R.
Austin, Ed	Hampton, Robert	Mellos, Bill	Stanley, Morton
Bauersfeld, Richard	Heath, Don	Pirie, Dave PP	Taylor, Bill
Benson, James	Hodge, Carmi	Plastik, Lee	Thorpe, Lewis
Burris, Alfred	Hoffman, Leon	Potsdam, Dan	Vance, Keith
Condon, Howard	Hoffmark, William	Rafferty, Alexander	Woods, Olen PP
Crawford, Jim	Kellner, Albert	Ramos, Roy B.	Young, Wayne
Domingo, Bernardo	Johnston, Doug	Rash, Ron	
Dudley, Kenneth	Lipa, Joseph	Rosemier, Dennis	
Galligan, Gordon	Maizlish, Greg	Schoen, Frank	

Please let us know of any other ill or indisposed members

## Shriners Hospital For Children

**Donations and Remembrances from our Members and Friends**

### Transportation Fund Donations

**In Memory of Dick Merritt:**  
Nancy Merritt

**In Memory of Sam Gallo:**  
Judy Belknap

### Shriners Hospital for Children's Donations

William E. Mangum

### Pillar of the Temple Donations

Wilcox Estate

## In Memoriam



NAME	BORN	CREATED A SHRINER	ENTERED INTO REST
Martin W. "Skip" Huszar	10/2/1936	6/26/1982	2/23/2020
Jerrold A. Wohlfarth	9/5/1942	12/9/1986	2/26/2020
Calvin K. Nicholl	2/24/1926	12/15/1956	11/12/2019
Lewis E. Thorpe	8/8/1923	12/7/1974	10/22/2019
Peter J. Bell	10/7/1936	1/13/1979	8/6/2019
Jose Ramon Amador Antillo	1/22/1944	8/31/2011	3/3/2020
Mauro D. Jacob	1/19/1935	12/7/1985	2/29/2020
Tony Moracco	1/7/1919	12/15/1956	3/18/2020
Henry W. "Hank" Marbott	6/30/2029	6/8/1991	3/21/2020
Gale "Andy" Anderson	8/17/1935	12/5/1992	4/5/2020
Walter D. Pruitt	8/20/1927	6/16/1973	4/7/2020

A memorial contribution to the Shrine Hospital Transportation Fund has been made in memory of our member listed above.

## Al Bahr O Meter needs your support

Every month the Temple sends out nearly 1,800 issues. The publication and mail costs for 2019 was more than \$28,000. We are asking that you consider donating at least \$35 per year for our Dime A Day DAD program to help fund the Al Bahr O Meter. Your name will appear in our monthly Al Bahr O Meter and you will be assisting the Temple in continuing our publications.

- Norm Rentle, PP 4/20
- Charlie Webb 4/20
- Joan Webb 4/20
- Ray Webb 4/20
- Jean Anne Webb 4/20
- Eddie Camerino 5/20
- Gary Hornberger 5/20
- Gene Yee 5/20
- Ed Pangilinan 6/20
- Charles Willibey 6/20
- Tetsu Willibey 6/20
- William Broyles 6/20
- Dick Wolz 6/20
- Linda Wolz 6/20
- Jeanne Cohen 7/20
- Dan Potsdam 7/20
- Sal Covarubias 8/20
- Nina Mc Donald 8/20
- John Ford 8/20
- Ruby Nyberg 8/20
- Betty Wong 9/20
- Bob Strangman 10/20
- Madeline Giardina 11/20
- Rey S. Cruz 11/20
- Alex Manzano 11/20

- James Zopfi 11/20
- Verna Zopfi 11/20
- Maebelle Haslim 12/20
- Vera Plain 12/20
- Robert Voss 12/20
- Janet Voss 12/20
- Steve & Karen Shultz 1/21
- William P. Hoffmark 1/21
- Jeannie K. Hoffmark 1/21
- Stuart Morpeth 1/21
- Ed Sutton 2/21
- John Gowen 2/21
- Rudy Tintiangco 2/21
- Mike Randall 3/21
- Shirley Hansen 3/21
- William Stanfield 3/21
- Bill Stokes 3/21
- Joe Allen 3/21
- Richard Mansfield 3/21
- John P. Harris, Jr. 3/21
- Alice Mansfield 3/21
- Willis Laughlin 3/21
- Nancy Merritt 4/21
- Frank Tremblay 4/21
- Charles "Doc" Pickett 4/21

## Stay Safe Everyone.



### Greeter Unit -Mike Randall

Dear Fellow Greeters and other Nobles, Any Al Bahr member who is interested in the Greeter Unit are welcome to attend our Greeter meeting. If each of us just brings in one new member, we could be on our way to being the UNIT we once were. We need new members so if any of you wish to come and see what we do, please contact me below.

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Our Greeter Meeting are now held QUARTERLY and on the Second Monday of the meeting month. Please see the dates below for all of our 2020 meeting dates. Our next meeting will be on July 13th at 6:00 social, dinner around 6:30 and 7:00ish for our meeting. Assuming that we are out of lockdown.

Then on July 13th and October 12th.

### Tin Lizzies - Eison Brown

A-hooga! I hope this message finds all of you well. Sure is unusual times for all of us in the midst of this covid-19 chaos that is upon us. Lots of cancelled events as we're all aware and our very own Recorder has been very good at keeping us current with all the things going on. At this time I don't have any information to add and there's no telling when the Tin Lizzie's will be back on the road again. Meanwhile, I encourage everyone to continue following orders from our state and federal governments in an effort to limit the spread of this virus. Let's all continue to look after and pray for one another, our widows, orphans and all those with pre-existing conditions that may make them more vulnerable to the virus. Everyone please stay healthy and let's all enable ourselves to learn contentedness during this temporary trial. If anyone needs anything then please don't hesitate to reach out. Lastly, thank you to all our front liners and essential workers! Stay well and healthy. A-hooga!



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 beashrinernow.com

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## Our Samaritans Are Still Serving the Children of Mexico.

